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April 26, 2002

Ref: 3032-19817

Honorable Felix J. Boudreaux
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Marg Tex Zone, Reservoir A SUC
WRIGHT FIELD, Vermilion Parish, LA
Applicant: Murphy Exploration & Production
Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Murphy Exploration & Production Company for the calling of a public hearing, after ten days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters regarding the Marg Tex Zone, Reservoir A, Wright Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, for which rules and regulations were established and a drilling and production unit was created by Office of Conservation Order No. 991-E, effective May 7, 1996 and redefined in Office of Conservation Order No. 991-E-4, effective April 20, 1999.

1. To permit applicant, Murphy Exploration & Production Company to designate and utilize the Murphy Exploration & Production Company-J. C. Trahan No. 1 Well as an alternate unit well for the MT RA SUC, such well to be at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;
2. To make a specific finding that such proposed alternate unit well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the MT RA SUC which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any other well within the unit;
3. To grant a single unit allowable for the MT RA SUC and to permit the operator of the unit to produce said unit allowables from the unit well, the proposed alternate unit well, or from both wells, at its option;
4. To confirm Murphy Exploration & Production Company as the operator of the MT RA SUC.

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5. To find that, except to the extent contrary in the order granted by the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with the hearing held on this application, the provisions of Office of Conservation No. 991-E Series shall remain in full force and effect, and
6. To consider such other matter pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the hearing held on this matter.

The Marg Tex Zone, Reservoir A in Wright Field, Vermilion Parish was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 991-E, effective May 7, 1996 and redefined in Office of Conservation Order No. 992-E-4, effective April 20, 1999.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the MT RA SUC, Wright Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Kade Babineaux of C & C Technologies Survey Services, 730 E. Kaliste Saloom Road, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508, (337) 261-0660.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$700.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


B. J. Duplantier

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager
Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners,
Represented Parties and
Interested Parties

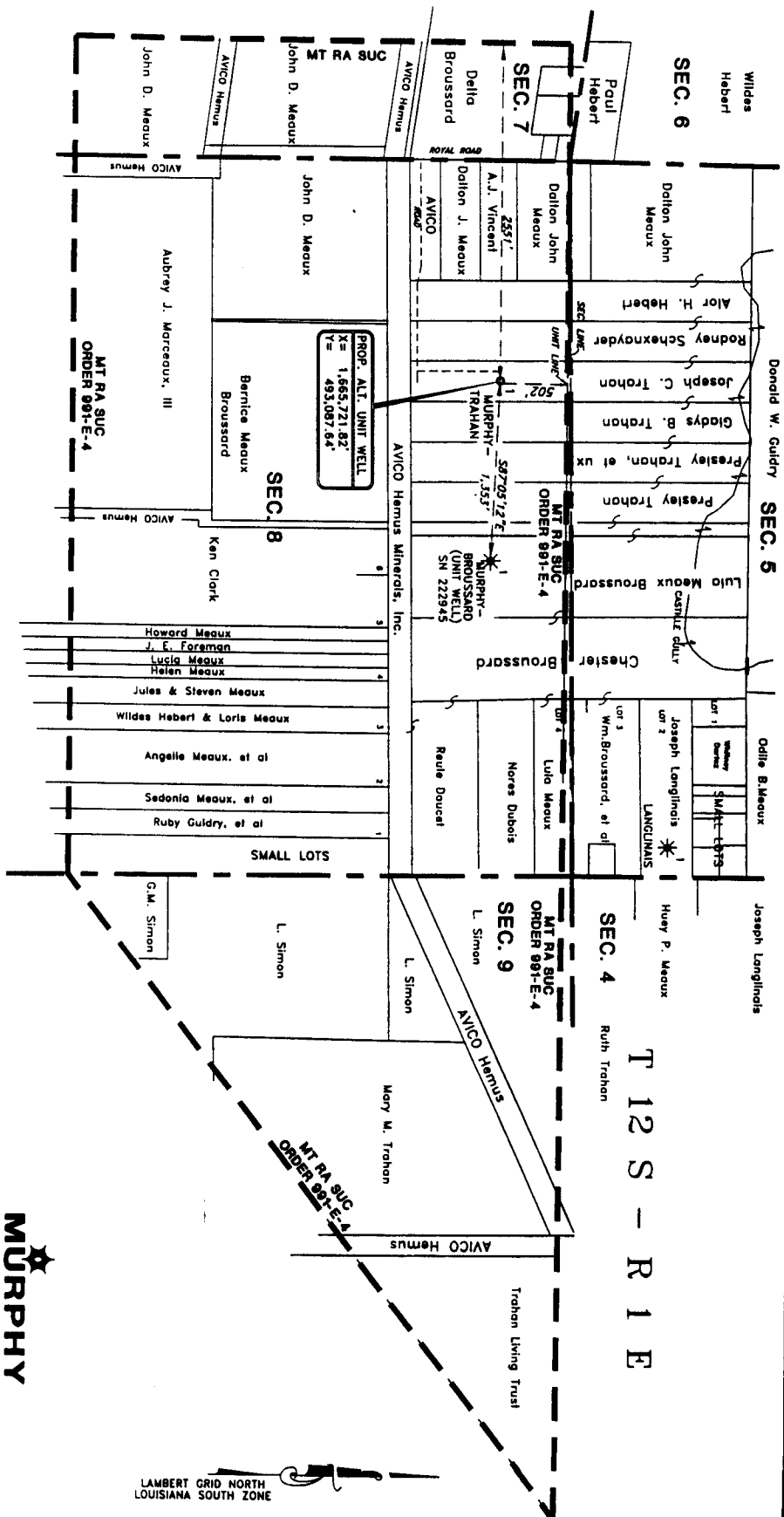
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MT RA SUB: J.C. Graham No. 1-Alt.
PROPOSED ALTERNATE UNIT WELL
SECTION 8, T 12 S - R 1 E
WRIGHT FIELD
VERMILION PARISH, LOUISIANA

SCALE : 1" = 1000' APRIL 23, 2002

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